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## Election/Restrictions

1. Newly submitted claims 23-32 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed. The inventions defined in claim 23-32 and cancelled claims 1-13 do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features. Where claim 1 is unpatentable over Milde Jr. in view of Kulmaczewski. Applicant should appreciate the originally claim 1 and 13 were drawn to a flying saucer and the newly added claims are drawn to a hovercraft. Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 23-32 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

## Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 3/6/2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): applicant presented new claims that have been withdrawn. Therefore if the examiner were to enter applicant's amendment no claims would be elected. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE** (1) **MONTH or THIRTY** (30) **DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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